GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Public Service - Revenue Department - Departmental proceedings against Sri T.Lakshmi Narasimhulu worked as Deputy Tahsildar O/o Tahsildar, Rapthadu Mandal, Ananthapuramu District – Departmental proceedings under Rule 20 of APCS (CCA) Rules, 1991 - Articles of Charges - Issued.

REVENUE(VIGILANCE-III) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 617 Dated: 20-06-2025

Read the following:-

1. From the DG, ACB, Lr.Rc.No.09/RCT-ATP/2023. Dt:22.08.2023.
2. Govt.Memo.No.Rev01-LANA0CCLV(ACBC)/43/2023, dt:11.09.2023.
3. From the DG, ACB, Lr.Rc.No.09/RCT-ATP/2023. Dt:25.10.2024.
4. G.O.Ms.No.213, Revenue(Vig.III) Department, dated:20.06.2025.

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O R D E R:

It is proposed to hold an enquiry against Sri T.Lakshmi Narasimhulu worked as Deputy Tahsildar, O/o Tahsildar, Rapthadu Mandal, Ananthapuramu District in accordance with the procedure laid down in Rule 20 of the A.P.Civil Services (CC & A) Rules, 1991 who failed to supervise the AO (Sri K.Narasimhulu, Village Revenue Officer) and approved AO's false recommendation i.e., as per RSR, the assignment is there. Therefore, the individual’s claim is rejected.

2. The substance of the imputations of misconduct in respect of which the inquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of Articles of Charges (Annexure.I). A list of documents by which, and a list of witnesses by whom, the Articles of Charges are proposed to be sustained are also enclosed (Annexure. II,III & IV).

3. Sri T. Lakshmi Narasimhulu worked as Deputy Tahsildar O/o Tahsildar, Rapthadu Mandal, Ananthapuramu District is directed to submit within 10 days of the receipt of this order, a written statement of his defence.

4. Sri T.Lakshmi Narasimhulu worked as Deputy Tahsildar O/o Tahsildar, Rapthadu Mandal, Ananthapuramu District is informed that an inquiry will be held only in respect of those Articles of Charges as are not admitted. He should, therefore, specifically admit or deny each Article of Charge.

5. Sri T.Lakshmi Narasimhulu worked as Deputy Tahsildar O/o Tahsildar, Rapthadu Mandal, Ananthapuramu District is further informed that if he does not submit his written statement of defence on or before the time specified in Para 3 above or otherwise fails or refuses to comply with the provisions of Rule-20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991 or the orders/directions issued in pursuance of the said rules, the Inquiring Authority may hold inquiry against him ex-parte. Further action will be processed based on the material available.

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6. Attention of Sri T. Lakshmi Narasimhulu worked as Deputy Tahsildar O/o Tahsildar, Rapthadu Mandal, Ananthapuramu District is invited to Rule 24 of the A.P.Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964, under which no Government servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further his interests in respect of matters pertaining to his service under the Government. If any representation is received on his/her behalf from any other person in respect of any matter dealt with in these proceedings it will be presumed that Sri T. Lakshmi Narasimhulu worked as Deputy Tahsildar O / o Tahsildar, Rapthadu Mandal, Ananthapuramu District is aware of such a representation and that it has been made at his/her instance and action will be taken against him/her for violation of Rule 24 of A.P.Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

7. The receipt of the Memorandum be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

G JAYALAKSHMI
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (FAC)

To
Sri T. Lakshmi Narasimhulu worked as Deputy Tahsildar O/o Tahsildar, Rapthadu Mandal, Ananthapuramu District ***through*** the Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., Mangalagiri.
The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, A.P., Mangalagiri.
Copy to:
The District Collector, Ananthapuramu District.
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SECTION OFFICER

ANNEXURE-I

STATEMENT OF ARTICLE OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SRI T. LAKSHMI NARASIMHULU, AGED 41 YEARS, S/O LATE KULLAYAPPA, DEPUTY TAHSILDAR, O/O TAHSILDAR, RAPTHADU, ANANTHAPURAMU DISTRICT.

That Sri T. Lakshmi Narasimhulu worked as Deputy Tahsildar, in the O/o Tahsildar, Rapthadu Mandal from 01.07.2022 to 21.02.2023 i.e. date of Trap. He is hereinafter referred to as Government Servant-2. While he is working as Deputy Tahsildar, in the O/o Tahsildar, Rapthadu Mandal, Ananthapuramu District has committed grave misconduct as much as:

Charge-1:

"That the Government Servant-2 failed to supervise Government Servant-1, Sri K.Narasimhulu, VRO, Gandlaparthi Village and approved his false recommendation i.e. "RSRప్రకారంఅసైన్మెంటుగాఉన్నది .కావునసదరుక్లైమురిజెక్ట్చేయడమైనది. " Sd/- K. Narasimhulu, VRO(GS-1)"

Thus the Government Servant-2 T. Lakshmi Narasimhulu, Deputy Tahsildar, O/o the Tahsildar, Rapthadu Mandal, Ananthapuramu District has exhibited lack of integrity, devotion to duty and conduct unbecoming of Government Servant and thereby violated Rule 3(1), 3(2) & 3(5) of the APCS Conduct Rules. 1964.

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SECTION OFFICER

ANNEXURE-II

STATEMENT OF IMPUTATION OF MISCONDUCT OR MISBEHAVIOUR IN RESPECT OF ARTICLE OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SRI T. LAKSHMI NARASIMHULU, AGED 41 YEARS, S/O LATE KULLAYAPPA, DEPUTY TAHSILDAR, O/O TAHSILDAR, RAPTHADU, ANANTHAPURAMU DISTRICT.

That Sri T. Lakshmi Narasimhulu, Deputy Tahsildar, O/o the Tahsildar, Rapthadu Mandal, Ananthapuramu District has joined into Government Service as Junior Assistant on 21.05.2003. He is native of Ananthapuramu Town. Presently he is working as Deputy Tahsildar, in the O/o Tahsildar, Rapthadu Mandal from 01.07.2022 to 21.02.2023 i.e. date of Trap. His date of birth is 17.12.1984 and he attains his age of superannuation of 62 years on 31.12.2046. His scale of pay is Rs.45,830/- - Rs.1,30,580/-. He is hereinafter referred to as Government Servant-2.

Charge-1:

"That the Government Servant-2 failed to supervise Government Servant-1, Sri K.Narasimhulu, VRO, Gandlaparthi Village and approved his false recommendation i.e. "RSR ప్రకారంఅసైన్మెంటుగాఉన్నది .కావునసదరుక్లైమురిజెక్ట్చేయడమైనది " Sd/- K. Narasimhulu, VRO(GS-1)".

Facts and Evidence:

That Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy, S/o Late Y. Lakshmi Reddy, 35 Years,Sarada Nagar, Ananthapuramu Town of AnanthapuramuDistricthas lodged a written Telugu complaint to the ACB authorities, Ananthapuramu stating that he is native of Gandlaparthi Village, Rapthadu Mandal. Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy is living by agriculture and by running Pranav Flexi Printers business at Ananthapuramu Town. They are three sons to their parents. Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy is the second son. Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy's father has 5.50 acres of D-Patta land in Survey No. 14-7, in Gandlaparthi Village. Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy's father passed away on 11.01.2021 due to illness. A few months after his father's death, his mother came to transfer the above land from his father's name to her own name in the Rapthadu Tahsildar's office, and the said mutation application was assigned as Khata No.1497 dated 15.05.2021 and changed in to his mother's name. Form 1-B and Adangal have also been issued for this land. However, as they have not received the pass book related to this land, on 18.01.2023, he and his mother went to the Gandlaparthi village secretariat and submitted the replacement application for the pass book along with all the related documents. The digital assistant suggested to give the said documents to the Government Servant-1 along with the receipt. On the next day i.e on 19.01.2023, Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy's younger brother Satish Kumar Reddy handed over the said documents and the receipt issued by the secretariat to the Government Servant-1 at the Rapthadu Tahsildar office. the Government Servant-1 checked all the documents and stated that they need to spend some money to get the pass book. When his brother informed to Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy but he ignored it. However, on 23.01.2023, it was found in online that his mother's application

was rejected on the grounds that she did not attach complete documents. As their application was rejected, they went to the Gandlaparthi village secretariat along with his mother to apply again, but the secretary Vijay advised him to clear their doubts with the Government Servant-1 first and then apply, when Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy called the Government Servant-1 over phone on 16.02.2023 afternoon, the Government Servant-1 told him that he is coming near Dhaba Hotel at Pangal Road and suggested Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy to meet him personally along with the documents. But as the Government Servant-1 was not there, when Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy called again, the Government Servant-1 asked him to come to the Tea stall opposite to the Tahsildar's office. There, the Government Servant-1 examined his documents for a while and filled the Replacement VRO Report form for the passbook with his own hand writing and in the middle of the words said that there will be formalities for the passbook and demanded a bribe of Rs.5000/-. Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy does not know these things as he is living in the town, moreover his father died and they are in troubles, Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy asked the Government Servant-1 to reduce some money and finally the Government Servant-1 said that he will complete the work only if he pays a bribe of Rs.4000/-. The Government Servant-1 told him to apply for replacement of pass book in any secretariat office and give the receipt, land documents and bribe money either to him or to the person indicated by him at the place indicated by him. As told by the Government Servant-1, Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy returned to the secretariat near the Collector's office in Anantapur on 17.02.2023 and submitted an application through his mother for the replacement of the passbook vide application No. RPP012301889455, Transaction ID No. TARPP012301889455. Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy has taken the receipt as per above details. As Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy doesn't want to give bribe money, Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy recorded the conversations between himself and Government Servant-1 on 16.02.2023 near tea stall in Rapthadu through his mobile phone and gave complaint on 20.02.2023 and requested to take appropriate action against the Government Servant-1 of Gandlaparthi village, Raptadu Mandal, who is demanding a bribe of Rs.4,000/- to process his mother's applications for pass-book".

After following due procedure, the DSP, ACB, Kadapa, I/c Ananthapuramu Range, Ananthapuramu registered the above complaint as a case in Cr.No. 01/RCT-ATP/2023, U/s 7 of the Prevention of Corruption (Amendment) Act, 2018 on 21.02.2023 at 08.30 hours, sent the original FIR to the Honourable court and took up investigation.

During the course of investigation, the DSP, ACB, Kadapa Range I/C Anantapuramu Range, Anantapuramu secured the presence of two mediators and conducted Pre-Trap Proceedings from 9.30 hours to 11.00 hour on 21.02.2023 at ACB office. During the proceedings, the mediators ascertained the facts of the complaint from the Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy that was read out to him are true. Further, on enquiry, Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy voluntarily stated that there is no enmity or financial transactions between Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy and the Government Servant-1. Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy further stated that the Government Servant-1 had demanded him to pay the bribe amount of Rs.4000/- on 16.02.2023 and give it to him either directly or others nominated by him at the place where he mention. Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy also

informed that the direct voice conversation took place between the Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy, and the Government Servant-1 about 5 days ago at the tea stall near Tahsildar office, Rapthadu and recorded the voice conversation in his mobile phone, got it transferred into a memory card by himself. At the time of giving his complaint, he also handed over the memory card to the ACB officials along with his complaint. Then the mediators attested on the copy of FIR stating that the contents of the FIR are read over to Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy and admitted by him to be correct. The DSP played voice conversation in the computer system, the mediators and other trap party members have listened the conversation and found that the Government Servant-1 demanded Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy to pay the bribe amount of Rs.4,000/- for processing the application for Pattadar pass book Replacement. The conversation between the Government Servant-1 and Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy as mentioned below.

Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy	రెండు కాఫీ
G.S-1	కాఫీ ఇచ్చేయ్ కాఫీ
Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy	సంవత్సరం ముందు అప్లై చేసింటిమి సార్
G.S-1	ఊ..
Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy	అప్పుడేందుకో మేము వస్తుంది వస్తుంది అనుకుంటే రాలేదు
G.S-1	అంటే నువ్వు అప్లై చేసినప్పుడు టైమ్ ఇవ్వలేదు కాబట్టి దీనికి సంబంధించిన డాక్యుమెంట్స్ లేవని రిజెక్ట్ చేసింటారు, మీరు అప్లై చేసింటే అది మీ దగ్గరే పెట్టుకొని ఉంటారు. ఇప్పుడాకట్ల బయటికి తీసుకొచ్చింటే కదా.
Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy	ఆ.. అవునవును, అదేమని ఇంక రాలేదని చెప్పి మళ్ళా రీ అప్లై చేశామన్నమాట, రీ అప్లై చేస్తే ఇంక ఇప్పుడూ... మొన్న వచ్చి ఇచ్చాడంట సార్ మా తమ్ముడైతే.
G.S-1	ఏమిచ్చినాడంట
Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy	డాక్యుమెంట్స్ ఇచ్చినాడంట
G.S-1	రాలేదు
Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy	ఆ.. అవునా సరేలెండి సార్, అదేదో అయిపోయింది, ఇపుడు మళ్ళీ ఎట్ల అప్లై చేద్దామా సార్.
G.S-1	ఈ రోజు అప్లై చెయ్యి, వారం లో... ఒక పదైదు రోజుల్లో వస్తుంది.
Sri Yaleti Pradeep	పదైదు రోజుల్లో వస్తుందా సార్

Kumar Reddy	
G.S-1	ఒక నెల లోపల నెల ఆటో ఇటో అవుతాది
Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy	ఓకే సార్ ఓకే
G.S-1	మనకేమన్నా ఫార్మాలిటీస్ ఉంటాయి ఆఫీసు లో
Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy	ఓకే సార్ ఎంతవరకు ఉండొచ్చు సార్
G.S-1	నువ్వు అప్లై చేసి నా చేతికి ఇచ్చేసెయ్, మిగతాది నేను చూసుకుంటా
Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy	ఓకే సార్ ఎందుకంటే తెలియదు కదా
G.S-1	తెలియకుండా ఎట్లుంటుంది టౌన్ లో ఉండి
Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy	ల్యా... అంటే మేము ఇంతవరకు ఈ పాసు బుక్కులు... దీని జోలికి ఎప్పుడు పోలేదు సార్, మా నాన్న చనిపోతే ఇంగ దాని గురించి తెలుసుకోవలసి వచ్చింది.
G.S-1	ఖర్చులుంటాయి చూసుకోవాలా
Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy	అదే మీరు చెప్పండి సార్ ఎంత
G.S-1	నువ్వు చెప్పి ఇచ్చేయ్, ఇదో సార్ తీసుకోండి అని, అప్లై చేసి రేపు ఇయ్యినాకు
Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy	రేపు తెచ్చి, రేపు తెచ్చిస్తాలెండి సార్, అది... ఎంత చెప్పండి సార్
G.S-1	చెప్పు నువ్వే చెప్పి ఇచ్చేసి పో, మళ్ళా మళ్ళా .....అయిదెకరాల యాభై సెంట్లు ఉంది
Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy	అయిదున్నర సెంట్లు ఉంది సార్, అయిదెకరాల యాభై సెంట్లు ఉంది
G.S-1	ఏం చెప్పు .....
Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy	మీరే చెప్పండి సార్ పర్లేదు,(వేరే శబ్దాలు) ఇప్పుడు ఆ బ్యాంకు లో ఆడ ఈడ అడుగుతున్నారు సార్ ఇది
G.S-1	ఆ అడుగుతారులే
Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy	అది ఇబ్బంది అయింది

G.S-1	బ్యాంకులో లోను కు అడుగుతారు
Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy	ఊ
	..... ట్రాఫిక్ శబ్దాలు .....
G.S-1	నువ్వు అట్లా వచ్చింటే ఇంతవరకు కూడా అవసరం లేదు, అట్లే పొయ్యి ఇయ్యాలికే అప్లై చేసుకుంటుంటివి
Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy	నాకు తెలీదు సార్ నేను ఈ పక్క అనుకున్నా, అంటే MRO, నాకు ఈ ఏరియా కొంత కొత్త లెండి
G.S-1	అవునా
Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy	అందుకే ఈ పక్కనే ఈడీడే తిరుగుతున్నా MRO ఆఫీసు, ఈ రోజు పొయ్యి మళ్ళా ఎట్ల సార్, అప్లై చేసుకొని వస్తునా సచివాలయంలో, రేపు వచ్చి ఇస్తునా సార్ అది
G.S-1	నీకు ఆక్సెప్ట్ అయినట్లు నీ సెల్లు కు మెసేజ్ వస్తాది
Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy	ఓకే సార్ ఓకే, సరే సార్ మళ్ళా రేపు తీసుకొని వస్తునా సార్, అది అప్లై చేసుకొని, అది ఎంతో చెప్పండి సార్
G.S-1	చెప్పి ఇచ్చేసి పో నువ్వే .....
Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy	చెప్పండి సార్
G.S-1	అయిదెకరాల యాభై సెంట్లు కాబట్టి నువ్వే చూసుకొని చెప్పి ఇచ్చేసి పో, నువ్వే చెప్పు
Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy	సార్
G.S-1	నువ్వే చెప్పు
Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy	ఇవన్నీమాకు తెలీదు సార్ కొత్త మేము దీంట్లకంతా, ఇది అలవాటు పడింటే మనకు తెలిసేది
G.S-1	ఐదు వేలు ఇయ్యి
Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy	సార్
G.S-1	ఐదు వేలు ఇయ్యి
Sri Yaleti Pradeep	అయిదు వేలా సార్, చూడండి సార్ కొంచెం

Kumar Reddy	
G.S-1	నేనొక్కడే కాదు ఆఫీసర్స్ ....
Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy	ఈ స్టేజ్ లో అంటే మేము మా నాన్న పోయి ఇదిలో ఉండాం
G.S-1	మామూలే అందరికీ జరుగుతుంది, మరి నేను కూడా మా నాన్న పోయినాక కదా ఈ అగసాట్లు పడి, గొణుగుడు ..... ఇపుడు .....
Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy	కరెక్టేలెండి సార్ వాస్తవమే
G.S-1	అగసాట్లు పడాల్సిందే తినాల్సిందే, ఎవరిదైనా ఒకటే, నీదైనా ఒకటే నాదైనా ఒకటే, నాదేం ప్రత్యేకం ఉండదు, నన్ను ప్రాణం ఉన్నంత వరకు మన పిల్లలది ఆ
Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy	అంతే అంతే
G.S-1	మన తల్లిదండ్రుల తరువాత మనము
Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy	సరే సార్ ఒక చూడండి ఒక రెండు వేలు ఇస్తాను,
G.S-1	ఆ..
Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy	రెండు వేలు
G.S-1	.....
Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy	మళ్ళీ వేరే వేరే ఉంటాయి సార్ నాకు ఖర్చులు
G.S-1	ఉంటాయి నార్మలే అందరికీ ఉంటాయి .....
Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy	ఒక రెండు వేలు, రెండువేల ఒక ఐదొందలు, రెండువేల ఐదొందలు లెండి సార్
G.S-1	.....
Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy	చూడండి సార్ ఇంగ ఏదో
G.S-1	ఖర్చులు చానా వస్తాయి నేనొక్కడినే కాదు
Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy	సర్లేండి సార్ వద్దులే, మూడు వేలు ఇస్తాలెండి సార్, ఇంగ ఏదో ఒకటి లెండి సార్, మూడు వేలు ఇస్తాను అది
G.S-1	నాలుగు ఇచ్చి పొండి

Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy	సరే సార్, రేపు అప్లికేషన్ తో పాటు తీసుకొని వస్తాను సార్
G.S-1	ఇచ్చిపో ఇప్పుడే మళ్ళా
Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy	అంటే ఇప్పుడు నాకు తెలీదు సార్ అందుకు, నేను రేపు అప్లికేషన్ తో పాటు తీసుకొస్తాను సార్, కొంచెం అది ఒక్కటి చూడండి సార్, వస్తునా సార్ థ్యాంక్స్ సార్

During the proceedings, the mediators noted the numbers and denominations of the currency notes of Rs. 4,000/- (Rs. 500X8) produced by Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy as the proposed bribe amount. The numbers and denominations of the currency notes worth Rs. 4,000/- are shown in pre trap proceedings.

Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy left the ACB office, Ananthapuramu at 11.10 hours on 21.02.2023 and reached Rapthadu at 11.20 hours. Before getting down form the vehicle, the DSP asked Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy to call the VRO, Sri Narasimhulu over phone whether he is available or not in Tahsildar Office, Rapthadu. Then Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy called the VRO Sri Narasimhulu over phone, the VRO informed that he went to G. Kothapalli village, Rapthadu Mandal due to some work and instructed Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy to wait for some time at Rapthadu. Later outgoing call was made by Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy to VRO Sri Narasimhulu at 12.10 PM, wherein the VRO, Sri Narasimhulu instructed Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy to come over to G. Kothapalli village and wait there for some time. Then the trap party left Rapthadu and proceeded to G. Kothapalli village and reached G. Kothapalli Village and waited at the outskirts of G.Kothapalli village for some time. As the VRO did not make any phone call to Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy, Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy again made a phone call to VRO at about 13.19 hours on the instructions of DSP, ACB for which VRO instructed him to come over to the house of Smt. P. Chandrakala, Sarpanch, G. Kothapalli village. At about 13.26 hours VRO made a call to Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy and told the exact location of above said house. At about 13.30 hours reached near by the house of Smt. P. Chandrakala, Sarpanch, G. Kothapalli village. Before getting down from the vehicle, once again the DSP instructed Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy to pay the bribe amount to Sri Narasimhulu, VRO, Gandlaparthi village, Rapthadu Mandal on his further demand only, but not otherwise. If the Government Servant-1 accepts the bribe amount, Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy was asked to give a pre-arranged signal by combing his hair with his hands to the Inspector, Sri C. Shankar Reddy who will be in the close proximity to Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy. The DSP, ACB instructed the Inspector, Sri C. Shankar Reddy to follow Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy in the close vicinity, by taking vantage positions near to him, to receive signal from Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy and to relay the same to the remaining Trap Party by way of rising up his hand.

The Trap Parties observed from vantage positions about Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy entering into the house of Sarpanch. Subsequently after sometime it

was observed, Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy came out from the house of Sarpanch and passed on the pre-arranged signal by combing his hairwith his hands to Sri C. Shankar Reddy, Inspector who in turn relayed the signal to the remaining trap party in vantage positions by raising his hand.

The mediators and the Trap Party members reached the house of the Sarpanch and the DSP ACB instructed Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy to wait at some distance until called into the house of the sarpanch. On entering varandah of the house of sarpanch two persons are present there. One of them who clad in white shirt and gray colour pant, sitting on chair, facing south direction and writing something on paper by keeping on table. Another person sitting on chair present in varandah. On reaching DSP, ACB introduced himself to the person who is writing there for which he got stunned and became panic. The DSP ascertained the identity of the said person as Sri KollappagariNarasimhulu, S/o K. Mallaiah, Village Revenue Officer, 53 Years, Gandlaparthi Village, Rapthadu Mandal, Ananthapuramu District R/o D.No. 6-4-96, Maruthi Nagar, Near Sai Baba Temple, AnanthapuramuTown. N/o Shankarappa Thota, Near Ramakrishna Reddy Building, Kalyanadurgam Town. Meanwhile, one woman came out from the house of Sarpanch and on enquiry she revealed her name as Smt. Pullarevu Chandrakala, W/o Chinna Krishna Reddy, 40 Years, Sarpanch, G. Kothapalli Village, Rapthadu Mandal. The other person who is present there revealed his name as Sri Peravali Hanumanth Reddy, S/o P. Narayana Reddy, 62 Years, R/o G. Kothapalli Village, Rapthadu Mandal.

The DSP, ACB asked Sri Narasimhulu, VRO to stay calm and not to get panic. The DSP, ACB, got prepared two Sodium Carbonate solutions in two clean glass tumblers and the solutions were found colourless. The said glass tumblers were kept on the table present in the varandah of Sarpanch house. As per the instructions of DSP, ACB, Sri Narasimhulu, VRO rinsed his both hand fingers in those solutions separately one after another, the sodium carbonate solution of the both hand washes of Sri Narasimhulu, VRO turned to pink color. The D.S.P ACB got the resultant pink colored solution transferred into two separate clean bottles, got them closed, sealed and affixed with white paper labels having the particulars and attested by the mediators and the DSP. The D.S.P seized the said bottles containing pink colored solution for further course of investigation.

When the DSP, ACB asked the Government servant Narasimhulu, VRO of Gandlaparthi Village to produce the tainted bribe amount of Rs.4,000/-, that he has received from Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy, Sri Narasimhulu, VRO took out currency notes from his right side back pocket of his gray colour pants and informed that he had received the bribe amount from Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy.

On the instructions of the DSP, ACB, the 1st mediator counted the currency notes and found it to be as Rs.4,000/- i.e., 8 currency notes of Rs.500/- denomination. The mediators verified the serial numbers of currency notes with the numbers noted in the Pre-Trap Proceedings found them tallied.

As the serial numbers found on the currency notes were tallied with the serial numbers of currency notes noted in the Pre-Trap Proceedings. The DSP, ACB seized the above currency notes for further investigation.

The DSP, ACB got prepared Sodium Carbonate solution and got the inner linings of the right side back pocket of the dark gray colour pant of Sri Narasimhulu, VRO rinsed in the sodium carbonate solution. Due to which the colourless sodium carbonate solution turned to pink in colour. The DSP ACB seized the dark grey colour pants for further investigation.

The DSP collected a sample of Sodium Carbonate powder used in the preparation of the above solution in an envelope which is sealed and attested by the mediators and the DSP and the same was seized.

Then the DSP, ACB asked Sri Narasimhulu, VRO to produce the application given by Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy for which he produced the same by picking it from a polythine bag. On verifying the same they are tallied with the documents which are mentioned in pre trap proceedings. It is further observed that Sri Narasimhulu, VRO put his signature on replacement report form which was earlier unsigned by him and noted during pre trap proceedings. On enquiry for file of Smt Y. Lakshmi Devi which was previously rejected by him, he replied that the same file is available in Tahsildar office, Rapthadu.

On enquiry by the DSP, ACB the Government Servant-1, Sri Narasimhulu, VRO, Gandlaparthi Village narrated the things happened prior to the arrival of the ACB team. He stated that he is working as VRO, Gandlaparthi, Rapthadu Mandal since 7 months. He was endorsed to look into the pass book replacement petition of Smt. Y. Lakshmi Devi of Gandlaparthi village in the month of January-2023. But he rejected the same for not producing police certificate to establish missing of the pass book and as per RSR, the land is assigned in nature. He further stated that he wrote the same on earlier pass book replacement report. On showing pass book replacement report which is recovered from him he admitted that he wrote his own hand writing on the replacement report. On further questioning about the bribe amount which is recovered from him he kept silent.

Then the DSP called Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy, who was waiting outside the house of Sarpanch and asked him to narrate as to what happened after he left the trap party at 13.30 hours. Upon that Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy stated that while he reached the Surpanch house the Government Servant-1 sat on a chair in varandah and writing something on a paper. One more person is present in the varandah sat on another chair. On observing Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy, the Government Servant-1 requested that unknown person to left both of them alone for some time. On the instructions of the Government Servant-1, that unknown person went away from varandah. After that the Government Servant-1, asked for bribe amount for which Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy gave affirmative reply and given both pass book replacement documents and bribe amount of Rs. 4000/-. The Government Servant-1 kept the documents on table and received bribe with is right hand, counted with both hands and kept the same on right side back pocket of his pants. Then the Government Servant-1 demanded for further bribe amount of Rs. 1000/- to complete official favour work of Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy for which Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy expressed his inability to pay the same as he has no money. On that the Government Servant-1 further demanded i.e. Rs. 1000/- to pay the same through phonePe. On the instructions of the Government Servant-

1, Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy paid Rs. 1/- for conformation of VRO'sphonePe number and assured that he would pay Rs. 1000 after reaching town. Then DSP, ACB recovered digital voice recorder from Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy which was concealed in the clothes of Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy before he reached VRO. The DSP, ACB played the same in his laptop and the main conversation took place between Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy and the Government Servant-1 is having duration of 5.05 minutes. The same is transcribed mentioned below.

Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy	ఎన్ని రోజుల్లో రావచ్చు సార్ అది
G.S-1	అది ఇప్పుడు ఈ రోజో రేపో ఓకే చేస్తా
Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy	ఓకే సార్
G.S-1	ఏమి ఓ పదైదు, ఇరవై, నెల లోపల రావచ్చు, పోస్టు కు వస్తాది
Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy	నెల నా సార్, అంటే date మెన్షన్ చేసింటే ఆ date కు వస్తుందా సార్, అంటే అడ్రస్ కు వస్తుందా సార్
G.S-1	ఆ ఆ అడ్రసు కు వస్తుంది, మీ ఆధార్ ప్రకారం ఏ అడ్రసు ఉంటే ఆ అడ్రసు కు వస్తాది, మళ్ళా మా ఆఫీసు కు వచ్చేది కాదు, మీ పోస్టు కు వస్తాది, మీ ఇంటి అడ్రసు కు.
Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy	ఓకే సార్, ఓకే సార్, సర్లేండి సార్, అది అమౌంట్ ఏమి తక్కువ లేదా
G.S-1	.....
Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy	చూడండి సార్ ఎంచుకోండి, పని అయిపోయినాకా మిగతా ఇంకోటి ఉంది సార్ చిన్న పని
G.S-1	ఆ
Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy	సరిపోతుంది లెండి సార్ మీరు అయిదు అడిగినారు, నాలుగు ఇచ్చినాను ఇంగ
G.S-1	నేనొకన్నే కాదు, నేనొకన్నే తినేటట్లు ఉంటే ఇంగేమి
Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy	ఏం కాదులే సార్
G.S-1	నేనొకన్నే తినను, నేనొకన్నే తింటే పని జరుగదు
Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy	ఆ సార్
G.S-1	కూర్చో, నేనొకన్నే తింటే పని జరుగదు,RI కియ్యాలా
Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy	ఏముంది లే సార్ మీదోకటే సార్
G.S-1	అంటే నువ్వేదో తెలిసినోడివి కాబట్టి చెబుతున్నా, వేరేవాళ్లైతే చెప్పను, నువ్వు అన్నివిధాల మెలిగింటావు

Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy	ఓకే సార్, దాని గురించైతే తెలియదు సార్, ముందు అంతా మా నాయన చూసుకునేవాడు
G.S-1	నువ్వు కూడా ఈ జనరేషన్ వాడివి, తెలుసుకుంటావని చెపుతున్నా, తెలుసుకుంటే అర్థం చేసుకుంటావని
Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy	ఓకే సార్
G.S-1	ఎవరో మూర్ఖులకు చెపితే వాళ్ళకు అర్థం కాదు
Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy	సార్
G.S-1	ఇంకో వెయ్యి ఇయ్యి
Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy	సార్
G.S-1	ఇంకో వెయ్యి ఇయ్యి
Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy	సరిపోతుందిలెండి సార్
G.S-1	నాకేం లేదు నేను జీరో నేను, నాకు రోజు రావాల అక్కడి పోవాల ఇక్కడికి పోవాల, నాకు పెట్రోల్ కన్నా వచ్చేది లేదెంప్పా, వాళ్ళకు భోజనాలకు ఇయ్యాల, ఖర్చులకు ఇయ్యాల, ఈడ సుమారు నూరు రూపాయలు ఖర్చు నాకు
Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy	పైనోళ్ళు అడుగుతారా సార్.
G.S-1	ఊ incharge
Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy	MRO అడుగుతాడా
G.S-1	.....
Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy	చిన్న చిన్న వాటికి వాళ్ళు కూడా అడిగితే ఎట్లా సార్
G.S-1	అన్నీ పెట్టాల్సిందే చిన్నవి లేదు పెద్దది లేదు
Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy	RI ఈయన గురించి కూడా
G.S-1	అందరికీ ఇయ్యాల్సిందే, అందరికీ ఇయ్యకుంటే ఏంది జరుగదు, ఇప్పుడు మీరు మాకిచ్చింటారు
Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy	అవును సార్
G.S-1	కాదు సారు మీకిచ్చినారు కదా సార్, మేము కానరాలేదా సార్ అని నన్ను అంటారు గాని వాళ్లేమి అడగారు గదా
Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy	అవునులెండి సార్, ఎవరు సార్, ఎవరు సార్,RI గారు కూడా

	అడుగుతారా,MRO గారు అడుగుతారా
G.S-1	నువ్వు పొయ్యి డైరెక్ట్ గా డబ్బులిస్తాను చేయండి సార్ అంటే తీసుకుంటారా ఏమి, ఏ పోపై అంటారు
Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy	ఊ మళ్ళీ మీ దగ్గరికే పంపిస్తారు లెండి ఊ
G.S-1	అంతే మరి
Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy	ఏమోలెండి సార్ మా పనైపోతే చాలు
G.S-1	వస్తాది
Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy	ఇంతదూరం వచ్చి .....
G.S-1	కరెక్టు అడ్రసు ఉంటే నీ ఇంటికి పోస్ట్ కు వస్తాది
Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy	రైట్ సార్ ఎందుకంటే ఇప్పటికే సంవత్సరం పైన అయింది , రెండు సంవత్సరాలైంది ఆ..
G.S-1	అంతే మరి మనమేం చేస్తాం
Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy	సరేలెండి సార్ అయితే మళ్ళా అది అయినాక చూద్దాం లెండి సార్ అది, వచ్చినాకా
G.S-1	ఒక వెయ్యి రూపాయలు ఇయ్యప్పా నువ్వు, నాకు phonepay అన్నా చెయ్యి,దారి ఖర్చులకు కూడా లేవు నాకు
Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy	సర్లే ఉన్నిలెండి సార్, నేను మళ్ళీ phonepay చేస్తాలెండి సార్
G.S-1	చెయ్, నేను మళ్ళా ఎంటికి అడుగుతా నిన్ను
Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy	నేను అది కూడా డ్రా చేసుకొని వ చ్చినాను సార్ ఇంగ
G.S-1	నువ్వు phonepay చెయ్యి నిన్ను నేను మళ్ళా అడగను, నిన్ని టచ్ కూడా చేయను
Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy	చూస్తాను లెండి సార్ ఉంటే వేస్తాను మీకు
G.S-1	నేను టచ్ కూడా చేయను, ఇంగ నీ బుక్కు రాకపోతే నన్ను అడుగు, ఇది చెన్నై నుండి వచ్చేది ఇది, ప్రింట్ అట్లా
Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy	ఇదా సార్
G.S-1	ఊ
Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy	ఆహా
G.S-1	మేము ఆన్లైన్ లో ఓకే చేస్తాము

Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy	చెన్నై నుండి వస్తాదా సార్ అది
G.S-1	ఆ.. చెన్నై నుండి వచ్చేది
Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy	Phonepay నంబరు అదేనా సార్
G.S-1	ఊ అదే
Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy	ఒక రూపాయి పంపిచ్చి వచ్చిందో లేదో చెక్ చేసి పంపిస్తా సార్, నేను మళ్ళా నేను ఊరికి పోయినాకా పంపిచ్చెస్తాను
G.S-1	వచ్చిందా
Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy	నాదైతే పంపిచ్చినట్ల వచ్చింది ఒక రూపాయి
G.S-1	వచ్చింది
Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy	వచ్చిందా సార్ ఒక రూపాయి
G.S-1	ఊ
Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy	సర్లేండి సార్ నేను ఊరికి పోయినాకా పంపిచ్చెస్తాను లెండి సార్ మీకి
G.S-1	ఇప్పుడే వేసేయ్ ఇంక మళ్ళా ఏమి
Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy	సార్ మళ్ళా నాకేదో పనులుండాయిలెండి సార్, రేపట్లో కొట్టేస్తా లెండి సార్ అది మిగతా వెయ్యి అట్ల
G.S-1	సరే ఫోన్ చేస్తా లే నేను
Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy	ఓకే సార్, పోయొస్తాను సార్
G.S-1	ఇపుడే వేసింటే మళ్ళా రేపు నేను
Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy	ఉన్నిలెండి సార్ రేపు వస్తా ఇంకేమి చిన్న చిన్న పనులుంటాయిలెండి సార్ ఇంగ
G.S-1	మళ్ళా ఇంకా టచ్ కూడా చెయ్యను, ఏమప్పా ఎట్టేట్లా అని కూడా అడగను, తరువాత టైమ్ పడితే నాదేమైంది సార్, నాది ఎట్టేట్లా అని నువ్వే అడగాల
Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy	సరేలెండి సార్ అడుగుతానులెండి సార్, పోయొస్తునా సార్
G.S-1	ఊ

After hearing the voice conversation between the Government Servant-1 and Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy, the DSP, ACB seized the memory card ‘Translink 8 GB’ in the presence of the mediators.

Then the DSP confronted the Government Servant-1 with the version of Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy for which he remained silent.

Then the DSP, ACB secured the following witnesses who presented there during post trap proceedings, examined and recorded their statements.

1) Sri Peravali Hanumanth Reddy, S/o P. Narayana Reddy, 62 yrs,R/o G. Kothapalli Village, RapthaduMandal:

During the examination he stated that he is living by agriculture. He stated that today i.e. on 21.02.2023 at about 1.30 PM while he was sitting in the varandah of the Sarpanch house, and got rectifying his land's resurvey errors by the VRO, Sri Narasimhulu and the same was drafting by the VRO. Meanwhile, he noticed one person reached to Sri Narasimhulu, VRO, Gandlaparthi village and on request of VRO he went to some distance and observed from there that VRO receiving money from that person. After sometime he witnessed about the trap of Sri Narasimhulu, VRO Gandlaparthi village for demanding and accepting the bribe amount from one person and etc., facts.

2) Smt. Pullalarevu Chandrakala, W/o Chinna Krishna Reddy, 40 yrs, Sarpanch, G. Kothapalli Village, Rapthadu Mandal:

During the examination she stated that today i.e. on 21.02.2023 at about 1.30 PM while she was in present in her house, she noticed that Sri Narasimhulu, VRO Gandlaparthi Village was sitting in the varandah of her house and writing something on paper. Later she witnessed about the trap of Sri Narasimhulu, VRO Gandlaparthi village for demanding and accepting the bribe amount from one person and etc., facts.

The DSP, ACB has seized the 12 stappled documents and original pattadar passbook from the possession of VRO, Sri Narasimhulu for further investigation.

The DSP, ACB, had entrusted the observation of scene of offence and drawing of rough sketch of the scene of the offence to Sri Mohan Prasad, Inspector who got the rough sketch drawn. The Scene offence i.e., house of Sarpanch is situated on the southern side of the black tap road, running between Kakkalapalli to Kanaganapalliin east, west direction, towards West to the SOC, one empty house belongs to P. Neelavathi W/o Laxminarayana Reddy is situated, towards east to the SOC, empty place belongs to P. Chenna Krishna Reddy is situated, towards north to the SOC, empty place followed by black tap road and YSR Jalasudhi is situated, towards south to the SOC, hay rick yard belongs to P. Chenna Krishna Reddy is situated. Vantage positions (V1, V2) have been marked in the rough sketch. The mediators and the DSP, ACB attested on the rough sketch.

The post trap proceedings-1 at the house of Sarpanch, G. Kothapalli village has been concluded at 17.30 hours on 21.02.2023 and a copy of proceedings was supplied to the Government Servant-1 Sri Narasimhulu, VRO, Gandlaparthi village, Rapthadu Mandal, Ananthapuramu District.

Soon after completion of the Post-Trap Proceedings-I, the mediators along with the DSP, ACB, Sri P. Kanjakshan, DSP, ACB, Kadapa, I/c Ananthapuramu, the Inspectors of ACB and staff of ACB, Ananthapuramu Range, Ananthapuramu along

with Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy and Government Servant-1 Sri Narasimhulu, VRO left Kothapalli village at 17.40 hours on 21.02.2023 and reached the Tahsildar office, Rapthadu Mandal at 18.10 hours. Then the DSP, ACB entered into the room of the Tahsildar and found in-charge Tahsildar/Deputy Tahsildar Sri Lakshmi Narasimhulu present in the room. Then the DSP, ACB introduced himself and the mediators and apprised about the trap of the Government Servant-1 Sri Narasimhulu, VRO, Gandlaparthi Village at G. Kothapalli village and asked for the rejected pass book replacement file of Smt. Lakshmi Devi for perusal and necessary action. On request of DSP, ACB the in-charge Tahsildar produced the same. On verifying the same it is found that (1) Pass book replacement report signed by Narasimhulu, G. C Hemavathi and in-charge Tahsildar T. Lakshmi Narasimhulu and remarked as "RSR ప్రకారముఅసైన్మెంటుగావున్నదికావునసదరుక్లెయిమ్Rejected చేయడమైనది" and signed by the Government Servant-1 K. Narasimhulu, VRO containing 1 page. On enquiry the Government Servant-1 stated that the entire report was filled by his own hand writing. (2) E- pass book application form with applicant photograph and signatures containing 1 page (3) Replacement of Pattadar Passbook of Yaleti Lakshmi Devi, vide Transaction ID: TARPP012301876918, Application No. RPP012301876918, dated: 18.01.2023. (4). Photo copy of form 1(B) of Yaleti Lakshmi Devi, Khata No. 1497, Sy No. 14-7, dated: 07.06.2021 (5). Photo copy of aadhar card of SmtYaleti Lakshmi Devi, vide Aadhar No. 264667892107. Then the DSP, ACB seized the above five documents for further course of investigation duly signed by all the concerned officers.

Then the DSP secured the presence of the incharge Tahsildar Sri T. Lakshmi Narasimhulu (GS-2) and recorded his statement. He stated regarding procedure to process pattadar pass book replacement application and also stated that applicants generally apply through village secretariats or mee seva along with relevant documents and both will be uploaded by the staff of village secretariats or mee seva, in turn the application directly reaches to the login of concerned Tahsildar. The Tahsildar in turn endorse the same to concerned the Government Servant-1 for necessary action. In general, oral instructions were issued to the VROs due to hectic work schedule and in obedience to the oral instructions concerned VROs submit the reports with in SLA. VROs collects the petitions from computer operator who is having accessibility to all petitions of Tahsildars. After thorough verification of village records of the concerned village report by the VRO, RI enquires into the matter and submit the same to Tahsildar. Finally,the Tahsildar verifies the report and examines the adduced documents enclosed with the enquiry report and takes decision on the merits of the report. In this particular instance the Government Servant-1 Sri Narasimhulu reported that as per RSR, the said land of Smt. Y. Lakshmi Devi is assigned land. Hence the claim is rejected. On enquiry can pattadar pass book replacement application be rejected by the revenue officials if it is assigned land, the In-charge Tahsildar stated that no one can reject on the above said ground. On enquiry regarding the rejection of this particular application, in-charge Tahsildar did not reply satisfactorily. He also stated that he will approve the pattadar pass book replacement application belongs to Smt Y. Lakshmi Devi on or before 25.02.2023. Later it will be supply to the applicant through post from printing press Chennai.

On further verification of records, the following records are relevant to this proceedings. (1) Proceedings of the Collector and District Magistrate, vide RC No. Ser.II/2401/2022, dated: 30.06.2022 which reflects the transfer of present the Government Servant-1 K. Narasimhulu from Tumbiganuru village, Kanekal Mandal to Gandlaparthi village of Rapthadu Mandal containing 1 page and remaining 4 pages connected to the transfer of the Government Servant-1 K. Narasimhulu. He submitted his joining report on 22.07.2022. (2) downloaded copy of face app attendance register of the Government Servant-1 K. Narasimulu, VRO shows that he attended to the duty at 10.57 AM on 21.02.2023 containing 1 page and remaining employees details containing 1 page. (3). E- Pass book register Volume-II, 2020-21, page nos. 122, 123 shows that the former VRO received pass books from 639 to 649 along with Yaleti Lakshmi Devi's pass book in serial no. 648 and date of receiving pass book is not mentioned by former VRO containing two pages. (4) From 17 register of Gandlaparthi village, Rapthadu Mandal khata No. 1497 indicates that the applicant did not receive pass book earlier containing 3 pages. (5) Mee-seva generated receipt regarding the rejection of Smt Lakshmi Devi's application vide No. RPP012301876918 on ground of in sufficient documents containing 1 page. All the above documents got photo copies and duly attested by the in-charge Tahsildar Rapthadu Mandal and the same were seized by the DSP, ACB after duly attested by the DSP, ACB and we the mediators.

As a prima-facie case has been made out against Sri Narasimhulu, VRO, Gandlaparthi village, Rapthadu Mandal, Ananthapuramu District. The DSP, ACB arrested the Government servant on 22.02.2023 at 00.30AM after informing the grounds of arrest to him. The arrest particulars of GS-1 intimated to the in-charge Tahsildar Sri T. Lakshmi Narasimhulu, Rapthadu Mandal.

Above post trap proceedings establish that both supervisory officers i.e. Smt. G.C. Hemavathi, Mandal Revenue Inspector and Sri T.Lakshmi Narasimha, Deputy Tahsildar, I/c Tahsildar, Rapthadu Mandal failed to supervise Sri. K.Narasimhulu, VRO, Gandlaparthi Village and approved his false recommendation.

The same was subsequently processed by Sri C. Munivelu, Tahsildar of Rapthadu on 01.02.2024 furnished the details vide Rc.No. B/242/2023 of completion of pending official favour work pertaining to issue of Replacement of Pattadar Pass Book of Complainant mother Smt Y. Lakshmi Devi W/o Late Lakshmi Reddy, Gandlaparthy Village of Rapthadu Mandal as the application has been accepted by the then Tahsildar, Rapthadu vide proceedings in L.Dis. 112/2023, Dated 25.02.2023 and also generated Pattadar Pass Book number 12F322008000601.

Hence the charge against the Government Servant-2 that he failed to supervise GS-1 and approved GS-1's false recommendation is held substantiated.

Thus the Government Servant-2 by his above-mentioned acts has exhibited a lack of integrity, devotion to duty and conduct unbecoming of a Government Servant and brought down the prestige of the Government and thereby contravened Rule 3 (1), 3 (2) & (5) of APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

Thus the Government Servant-2, Sri T.LakshmiNarasimhulu, Dy.Tahsildar, I/c Tahsildar, Rapthadu Mandal, Ananthapuram District rendered himself liable for regular departmental enquiry for violation of Rule 3(1)(2) & (5) of APCS conduct Rules 1964 for major penalty.

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ANNEXURE-III

LIST OF WITNESSES

LW-1 Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy, S/o Late Y. Lakshmi Reddy, 35 yrs, Sarada Nagar, Anantapuramu Town of Ananthapuramu District: He speaks about of his complaint Dt. 20.02.2023 and the memory card producing to the ACB officials, Mediators Report-I and Mediators Report-II Proceedings Dt. 21/22.02.2023 to that extent involving his and also speak about demand and acceptance of the bribe amount of Rs. 4,000/- by the Government Servant for processing official favour file of Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy and etc facts.

LW-2 Sri Nangoth Swamy, S/o Late Sakru, 55 years,Assistant Controller, Legal Metrology, Anantapuramu, R/o D.No.11-261-1, Gourav Homes, 4th Cross, Rudrampeta, Anantapuramu: He is the 1st mediatorand he speaks about Mediators Report-I Proceedings drafted in the Office of the DSP, ACB, Ananthapuramu, Mediators Report-II Proceedings drafted in the residential house of Smt. P. Chandrakala, Sarpanch, G. Kothapalli village on 21.02.2023, Mediators Report-III Proceedings drafted in the O/o the Tahsildar, Rapthadu and about the seizure of the official favour pending file of LW-1 and other relevant files/records by the DSP and etc facts.

LW-3 Sri Meer Mohammad Ghouse, S/o Late M. Mohammad Hussain, 39 years,Inspector, Legal Metrology, Anantapuram, R/o Flat No. 208, H.K.Heights Apartment, Rudrampeta Service Road, Near Kalyandurg Bypass Road, Anantapuramu: He is the 2nd mediator and he speaks about Mediators Report-I Proceedings drafted in the Office of the DSP, ACB, Ananthapuramu, Mediators Report-II Proceedings drafted in the residential house of Smt. P. Chandrakala, Sarpanch, G. Kothapalli village. on 21.02.2023, Mediators Report-III Proceedings drafted in the O/o the Tahsildar, Rapthadu and about the seizure of the official favour pending file of LW-1 and other relevant files/records by the DSP and etc facts.

LW-4 Smt. Yaleti Lakshmidevi, W/o Late Lakshmi Reddy, 64 yrs,R/o H.No.28-6-5-1, Backside of Rajeev Children Park, Housing Board Colony, Ananthapuramu Town: She speaks about the complaint, demand and acceptance of the bribe amount of Rs. 4,000/- by the Government Servant for processing official favour file and etc facts.

LW-5 Sri Yaleti Sathish Kumar Reddy, S/o Late Yaleti Lakshmi Reddy, 32 Years,R/o H.No.28-6-5-1, Backside of Rajeev Children Park, Housing Board Colony, Ananthapuramu Town: He speaks about the complaint, demand and acceptance of the bribe amount of Rs. 4,000/- by the Government Servant for processing official favour file and etc facts.

LW-6 Smt.Pullarevu Chandrakala, W/o Chinna Krishna Reddy, 40 yrs,Sarpanch, G. Kothapalli Village, Rapthadu Mandal, Ananthapuramu District: She speaks about she witnessed the Government Servant talking with LW-1 at verndah of her house, and aware of the

apprehension of the Government Servant by ACB Officials for receiving the bribe amount of Rs. 4,000/- from LW-1 for processing official favour file of Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy and etc facts.

LW-7 Sri Peravali Hanumanth Reddy, S/o P. Narayana Reddy, 62 yrs,R/o G. Kothapalli Village, Rapthadu Mandal, Ananthapuramu District: He speaks about he witnessed the Government Servant talking with LW-1 at sarpanch house, LW-1 gave bribe to the Government Servant on his demand and ACB officials caught Government Servant red-handed and etc facts.

LW-8 Sri Nelluri Vijay Kumar, S/o N. Varadappa, 30 yrs,Panchayath Secretary, G. Kothapalli Panchayath, O/o Grama Sachivalayam, Gandlaparthi Village, Rapthadu Mandal, R/o Nemalivaram Village, Kanaganapalli Mandal: He speaks about LW-1 came to sachivalayam along with his mother on 18.01.2023 for replacement pass-book from in the name of his father to in the name of his mother and submit an application for pass-book along with application form, land related 1-B and his mother pass port size photos. And on 21.02.2023 ACB Officers caught Government Servant red-handed in G.Kotthapalli Village while demanded and accepted bribe of Rs. 4000/- from LW-1 to issue pass-book in the name of LW-1's mother.

LW-9 Smt. Devireddy Jahnavi, W/o Hrushi Kesava Reddy, 31 yrs,Digital Assistant, Grama Sachivalayam, Gandlaparthi Village, Rapthadu Mandal, R/o Basic-72, Ananta Town Ship, OPP: Silpa Lepakshi Nagar, Rapthadu Mandal: She speaks about LW.1 and LW.4 came to GandlaparthiSachivalayam on 18.01.2023 and applied for Replacement pattadar passbook application, she upload the same in online and etc facts.

LW-10 Smt. Bandi Rekha Sarada, W/o G. Anand Babu, 38 yrs,Grade-4 Panchayath Secretary, Gandlaparthi Panchayath, Rapthadu Mandal, R/o D.No.6/5/223, Venkata Rao Nagar, Anantapuramu Town: She speaks about LW.1 and LW.4 came to GandlaparthiSachivalayam on 18.01.2023 and applied for Replacement pattadar passbook application, LW.9 upload the same in online and etc facts.

LW-11 Sri K. Ramamohan, aged 29 yrs, S/o K.Ramanjaneyulu, Panchayathi Secretary/ Administrative Secretary, Grama ward Sachivalayam, Bukkarayasamudram-3, Bukkarayasamudram Mandal, R/o Mangalakunta Village, Kalyandurg Mandal: He speaks about the furnishing reply dt. 03.02.2024 regarding LW.1 came to his Sachivalayam for applying Replacement pattadar passbook application on 17.02.2023, LW.12 upload the same in online and etc facts.

LW-12 Sri Bandi Ravi, S/o B. Eswaraiah, 28 years,Digital Assistant, Grama Ward Sachivalayam, Bukkarayasamudram-3, Ananthapuramu District, R/o D.No. 1-26, Siddarampuram Village, Bukkarayasamudram Mandal: He speaks about LW.1 came to B.K.Samudram-3 Ward Sachivalayam on

17.02.2023 and applied for Replacement pattadar passbook application, he upload the same in online and etc facts.

LW-13 Sri C. Munivelu, Tahsildar, Rapthadu Mandal, Ananthapuramu District: He speaks about the furnishing replies vide Rc.No. B/242/2023, dt 01.02.2024 for completion of pending official favour work and etc facts.

LW-14 Sri T. SeethaRam, Tahsildar, Rapthadu Mandal, Ananthapuramu District: He speaks about the furnishing replies vide Rc.No. 242/B/2023, dt. 26.04.2024 &Rc.No. B/242/2023, dt 01.05.2024 for procedure of pattadar passbook application accepted / rejected and online status of the official favour completion work etc facts.

LW-15 The Branch Manager, SBI, Vidyut Nagar, Ananthapuramu: He speaks to the facts of amount of Rs.1/- transferred from the account of LW-1 through Phonepe from mobile No. 8341405686 to the account of Government Servant on 21.02.2023 and etc facts.

LW-16 The Branch Manager, SBI, Hindupuram Branch: He speaks to the facts of amount of Rs.1/- credited to the account of Government Servant from the account of LW-1 on 21.02.2023 through Phonepe to mobile No. 9989299031 and etc facts.

LW-17 Sri P. Kanjakshan, Dy. Supdt .of Police, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Kadapa Range, I/c Anti-Corruption Bureau, Ananthapuramu: He speaks to the facts about receiving report along with complaint by LW-1, registration of the FIR, copying data from the memory card into the office computer system. Sending of FIR to Hon'ble Court, Facts of Mediators Report-I, Mediators Report-II and Mediators Report-III proceedings, Arrest of the Government Servant, seizure of bribe amount, official documents/records and etc facts.

LW-18 Sri T. Mohan Prasad, Inspector, ACB, Anantapuramu Range: He is the Inspector of Police, ACB, Ananthapuramu Range, Ananthapuramu: He speaks to the facts of receipt of complaint from LW-1, information to LW-17, his assisting to LW-17 in Mediators Report-I, Mediators Report-II and Mediators Report-III proceedings, receiving entrustment orders, his investigation, examination of LWs. 4 to 12, obtaining replies, receiving the sanction orders from the Government, filing of charge sheet and etc., facts.

If any witness is found to be relevant will be produced during the enquiry.

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ANNEXURE-IV
LIST OF DOCUMENTS

1. Complaint Dt. 20.02.2023 given by Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy, S/o Late Y. Lakshmi Reddy, Sarada Nagar, Anantapuramu Town of Ananthapuramu District: It reveals the facts of the demand of bribe amount of Rs. 4,000/- by the Government Servant for doing official favour i.e. replacement of pass-book of Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy's mother.

2. FIR in Cr.No.1/RCT-ATP/2023, Dt. 21.02.2023 of ACB, Anantapuramu Range: It reveals that receipt of the report from Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy, S/o Late Y. Lakshmi Reddy, Sarada Nagar, Anantapuramu Town of Ananthapuramu District with regard to demanding of the bribe by the Government Servant registration of the case U/s 7 of Prevention of Corruption (Amendment) Act, 2018 against the Government Servant on 20.02.2023 at 08.30 hours by DSP, ACB, Anantapuramu.

3. Pre-Trap Proceedings drafted on 21.02.2023 from 09.30 hours to 11.00 hours: It reveals about actual happenings in the O/o DSP, ACB, Ananthapuramu before the Mediators and Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy.

4. Post-Trap Proceedings-1 drafted from 14.00 hrs to 17.30 hrs on 21.02.2023 and Post Trap Proceedings -2 drafted from 18.15 hours on 21.02.2023 to 00.30 hours on 22.02.2023: It reveals about actual happening at the residential house of Sarpanch Smt. P. Chandrakala, Kothapalli Village, Rapthadu Mandal, Ananthapuramu District, seizure of the bribe amount, conducting chemical Test on both hands of the Government Servant, conducting chemical test on the grey colour pant in which the tainted currency notes were placed by the Government Servant, seizure of chemical test washes, affixing the labels duly signed by the DSP and Mediators. Later trap party came to O/o Tahsildar, Rapthadu, examined the staff and seizure of documents pertaining to official favour in the office of the Government Servant duly signed by the DSP and Mediators and etc facts.

5. Service Particulars and Job chart of the Government Servant furnished by the Tahsildar, Rapthadu vide Rc.No/C/99/2023, Dt. 25.03.2023: It reveals about the appointment of the Government Servant in the department with the designations of Village Revenue Assistant, subsequent promotions, punishments, suspensions and disciplinary rules applicable to him, about the arrested particulars and about the competent authority to remove him from the job and duties and responsibilities of the Village Revenue Officer.

6. Rough Sketch of the Scene of Offence: It reveals about the scene of offence where it was occurred.

7. Replacement Report: It is an application form of Replacement Pattadhar Pass Book, Adangal copy, Form 1-B, D-Namuna, Replacement Pattadhar Pass Book Receipt, Aadhar copy of Smt. Lakshmidevi of land which was applied for second time on 17.02.2023 as their first application was

rejected to get Pass Book in the name of Smt. Lakshmidevi.

8. Original Pattadar Pass Book: It reveals about the land details of Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy's father Sri Late Lakshmireddy.

9. Pass Book Replacement report: It is an application form of Replacement Pattadhar Pass Book, Replacement Pattadhar Pass Book Receipt, Form 1-B, Aadhar copy of Smt. Lakshmidevi land which was applied for the time on 18.01.2023.

10. Proceedings of the Collector and District Magistrate, vide RC No. Ser.II/2401/2022, dated: 30.06.2022 and connected to the transfer of VRO, K. Narasimhulu: It reveals about transfers and postings of certain Village Revenue Officers.

11. Downloaded copy of face app attendance register of K. Narasimulu, VRO on 21.02.2023 and remaining employees' details: It reveals about the attendance of Government Servant on 21.02.2023 and he did not avail any leaves during the month of February, 2023 upto the day of trap.

12. E-Pass book register Volume-II, 2020-21, page nos. 122, 123: It reveals about land details and Khata number of Smt. Y.Lakshmidevi.

13. Form 17 register of Gandlaparthi village, Rapthadu Mandal khata No. 1497 indicates that the applicant did not receive pass book earlier: It reveals about that Smt. Y.Lakshmidevi is owner of the land.

14. Mee-Seva generated receipt regarding the rejection of Smt Lakshmi Devi's application vide No. RPP012301876918: It reveals about application form for E-PASSBOOK, application number and transaction ID of Smt. Y.Lakshmidevi which she applied in Mee-seva centre on 18.01.2023.

15. Statement of Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy recorded U/s 164 Cr. P.C by the Honourable Spl. Judicial Magistrate of First Class for trial of cases under A.P. Prohibition and Excise Act, Ananthapuramu: It reveals that the statement of Sri Yaleti Pradeep Kumar Reddy was recorded by the HonorableSpl. Judicial Magistrate of First Class for trial of cases under A.P. Prohibition and Excise Act, Ananthapuramu on 07.03.2023 wherein he corroborated with the facts of the complaint.

16. Reply letter of RC.No. B/242/2023/, Dated. 01.02.2024 of Tahsildar, Rapthadu: This document speaks about the completion of the pending official favour, where in it is informed that the request of Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy for Replacement of Pattadar Pass book in Sy.No.14-7 extent 5.50 acres of Gandlaparthy village of Rapthadu Mandal is accepted by the In-charge Tahsildar, Rapthadu Mandal vide proceedings in L.Dis. 112/2023 on 25.02.2023 and also generated Pattadar Pass book number 12F322008000601.

17. Reply letter of RC.No. 242/B/2023, Dated. 26.04.2024 of Tahsildar,

Rapthadu: It reveals that procedure of pattadar passbook application accepted / rejected.

18. 65-B Certificate of Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy of Sarada Nagar in Ananthapuramu Town: It reveals that Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy has transferred the recorded audio conversation file Dt. 21.02.2023 into a Sandisk 8 GB' Memory card from his mobile phone and that it is a true reproduction of the voice file recorded in his mobile phone.

19. FSL Report for Voice Test of the Government Servant: On 24.03.2023 the court issued orders to the Government Servant to appear on 19.04.2023 to give his voice sample at AP Forensic Science Laboratory, Mangalagiri. Accordingly, Government Servant attended to the Spectrographic Test for voice at AP FSL on 19.04.2023. The voice Spectographic Test report yet to be received from FSL, A.P., Mangalagiri.

20. FSL Report for Handwriting Analysis of the Government Servant: A memo was filed in the Hon'ble Court of Spl. Judge for Trial of SPE/ACB Cases, Kurnool to secure specimen handwritings and sample signatures on 27.04.2024. Basing on the memo Hon'ble Court issued notice to the Government Servant to attend Court on 09.05.2024 for his objections and for obtaining his specimen hand writings and sample signatures. The Government Servant did not raise any objections and provided his specimen hand writings and sample signatures in the presence of Hon'ble Judge for trial of SPE/ACB Cases, Kurnool and the same was forwarded to FSL, AP, Mangalagiri along with disputed writings (Replacement report of the Government Servant) which were seized during Post trap proceedings-I. FSL report and expert opinion is awaited.

21. Analysis of Call Data Record and certificate U/s 65-B(4)(C) of the Indian Evidence Act 1872 received from concerned Providers: CAFs and CDRs for the mobile bearing SIM No. 8341405686 of Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy and CAFs and CDRs for the mobile bearing SIM No. 9989299031 of the Government Servant.

22. Reply letter Dt. 30.01.2024 of the Branch Manager, State Bank of India, Vidyuth Nagar Branch, Ananthapuramu Town: It reveals about the amount of Re. 1/- transferred from the account of Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy to the account of the Government Servant CAFs and CDRs for the mobile bearing SIM No. 8341405686 of Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy on 21.02.2023 through Phonepe from 8341405686.

23. Reply letter Dt. 05.02.2024 of the Branch Manager, State Bank of India, Hindupur Branch: It reveals about the amount of Re. 1/- credited to the Government Servant's account from the account of Sri Y. Pradeep Kumar Reddy on 21.02.2023 through phonepe to 9989299031 mobile number.

24. Online Status report issued by Tahsildar, Rapthadu Mandal on 01.05.2024: It reveals that Pattadar Pass Book Replacement application of Smt. Y. Lakshmidevi vide Application No. RPP012301889455, Dt. 17.02.2023 was

approved by Tahsildar on 25.02.2023. It is also reveals that pattadar Pass Book copy was dispatched to the applicant on 07.06.2023.

If any document is found to be relevant will be produced during the enquiry.

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